List of Other Ideas

Art Displays

• Display works by African American artists throughout the month.

Poetry Readings

• Showcase different poets or ask staff members to share their poems with groups.

Web Treasure Hunt

• Make up a list of things for participants to search on the web. The first one to find everything on the list wins a prize.

African Dress Day

• Everyone comes to work in African attire.

Essay Contest

• Have staff members write about an influential person or event relevant to African American History.

Lunchtime Storytelling

• Get an African American storyteller from your community to share stories during lunch.

The Great Soul Food Cook-Off!

• Organize a pot-luck or have a soul food meal catered.

African American History Quiz

• Create a quiz in various categories—sports, civil rights, education, science, etc. Create rules for the quiz. Give prizes or awards to participants.

Theater Night

• Ask for group rates at African American theater events in your area.

African American History museum exhibit

- Check with local museums, historical societies, and or libraries for resources and materials to assemble a display of Black history artifacts.
- Ask your court librarian to help prepare an exhibit on African Americans.

African American Film Series

- Select from the Video Listing in the sourcebook and show a video per week over the lunch hour.
- Colleges and universities often have regularly scheduled film programs. Publicize their African American Festival during February.